

## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

**Title of publication:** CyberTipline Report 22319603

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<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 06 September 2017

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 06 September 2017

### Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication is a transcript of excerpts from communication via Facebook between two individuals. The conversation focuses on the sexual abuse of young children, in an explicit and descriptive manner. As such, it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes, and is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the FVPC Act. This classification of objectionable interferes with the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on that right. The classification reflects the concern of New Zealand society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.